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For: SEWING THREAD

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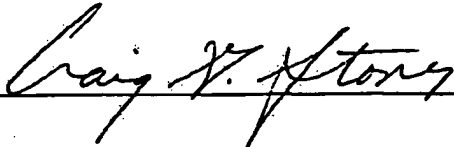
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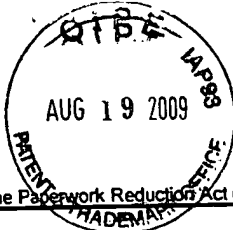
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) STATEMENT AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

The Assignee for the U.S. Patent Application filed herewith entitled **SEWING THREAD** (hereinafter "Patent Application"), and the invention disclosed therein, hereby states pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) that the Assignee is now the sole owner of the Patent Application to the exclusion of each inventor thereof.

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The Assignee further hereby appoints the Attorneys and Patent Agents of K&L Gates LLP, as identified by **Customer Number 021878** in the records of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office and as updated from time to time, to prosecute the Patent Application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith. All correspondence in this case should be directed to:

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The Assignee hereby declares that no other person or entity is authorized to take any action before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office with respect to the Patent Application. The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

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By:

*Craig G. Stover*  
Signature of Corporate Officer

July 1, 2009

Date

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